

WESTFIELD NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH

It is a FACT: CONCERNED NEIGHBORS REDUCE CRIME

Get to know your neighbors and become familiar with their routines.

- You are going to be partners in watching the activities on your block.
- Keep a trusted neighbor informed if you are going on vacation.
- Look after your neighbor's house when he is away, and ask him to look after yours.
- This includes collecting mail, newspapers, and other deliveries that would indicate to a criminal that the homeowners are away.
- Leave your neighbor a way to contact you in case of an **EMERGENCY**.

Be suspicious, but not paranoid and report unusual or suspicious behavior to the police.

- A stranger entering your neighbor's house
- Anyone removing accessories, license plates, or gasoline from a vehicle
- Persons entering businesses after hours
- Persons loitering around schools, parks, businesses, or secluded areas
- Open or broken windows on vehicles, houses, or businesses
- Unusual noises: screaming, continual barking dogs, gunshots, breaking glass
- Vehicles driving without headlights after dark, or following a repetitive course
- Parked, occupied vehicles
- Vehicles being loaded with valuables from unattended homes or businesses
- Persons running through yards
- Continual heavy human traffic to and from a particular residence
- Abandoned vehicle parked on your block

Write down descriptions of the person (s) and license plate numbers of any vehicles involved.

- RACE SEX HAIR (color, length)
- EYES AGE HEIGHT
- WEIGHT HAT COAT
- TROUSERS SHOES SCARS & MARKS
- Unusual characteristics (i.e. accent)
- Direction of travel or escape
- Vehicle license plate number, Make & Color

Keep this number by your phone: Dispatch 773-1300 or EMERGENCY 911

- When you call to report criminal or suspicious activity, you will be asked for your name, address, and telephone number. You can remain anonymous, if you wish. In addition to the above descriptions, the following is most important:

**WHAT HAPPENED?
WAS ANYONE HURT?**

**TIME and PLACE
ADDITIONAL DETAILS**

If you have a neighborhood problem or any question that does not require immediate attention, but you would still like assistance from the police, call the **Westfield Police Department Crime Watch** voice mail at **896-5236** extension **651** or email Major Scott Jordan at the following address: sjordan@westfield.in.gov